

First Look

Flowers and shrubs

Free flowers and shrubs are available today at the self-help store across from the vet clinic. For more information, call 2-3794.

Talent show

The Lajes Elementary School talent show is 6-8:30 p.m., today, at the community activity center ballroom. For more information, call Ronna Poston at 2-3491.

Clean-up dive

The Aqua Knights are conducting a clean-up dive at 10 a.m., Saturday, in the Sao Mateus Port. For more information, call Erika Golart at 2-6823.

Arena bullfight

The first arena bullfight of the season is at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, in the Angra bullring. Tickets are 12 Euros and can be purchased at the door two hours before the fight.

Open house

The spouse appreciation open house is 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday, at the family support center. For all civilian spouses married to a Department of Defense military member. The event will include a spouses' enhancement briefing, the announcement of the Sensational Spouse Award for '03-'04, a "Simmering Spice of Spouse" sauce taste-testing contest, a spaghetti lunch and drawings for door prizes. To sign up, call 2-4138.

Preflight

■ Days since last DUI 82
 ■ DUIs since Jan. 1 one
 ■ Current AEF ... Silver (5&6)
 ■ Current FPCON Alpha
 ■ Combat Nighthawk: 1st Lt. **Marsha Hasberger**, 65th Logistics Readiness Squadron; 1st Lt. **Lee Hoisington**, 65th Security Forces Squadron; Master Sgt. **Margaret Jett**, 65th Mission Support Squadron; Master Sgt. **Kenneth Meirhofer**, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron.

Airman Information File

USAFE commander and command chief talk about mentorship and how it can pay huge dividends. Page 2



Holocaust remembrance

As a tribute is read aloud, Senior Airman Matthew Zimmerman, 65th Communications Squadron, lights a menorah during the 65th Air Base Wing's Holocaust remembrance ceremony April 19 at the Top of the Rock club. More than 30 people attended the memorial — created by the wing's equal opportunity office — that included readings by high school students, a multimedia presentation and singing. (Photo by Guido Melo)

LHS participates in SpeechFest

by 1st Lt. Aaron Wiley
 65th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

Lajes High School throws a week-long celebration of oral communication April 27-30, putting its students speaking and listening skills on display for SpeechFest 2004.

The students take center stage in the verbal extravaganza showcasing 17 different areas of public speech including dialogues and poetry in foreign languages.

The event also features debate and impromptu speeches. The school hopes SpeechFest will become a significant annual community event.

"We believe when students are engaged in speaking about what they're learning, more learning occurs," said Robert Brown, one of the teachers organizing the event.

According to Mr. Brown, it was this theory that helped Lajes High School renew its North Central Association accreditation earlier this year. The NCA is a commission on accreditation and school improvement that puts a heavy emphasis on schools

having a strong system in place for improving itself through research and self-analysis.

"I'm proud to say Lajes High School received one of the strongest endorsements ever given for our school improvement plan," Mr. Brown said. "Our SpeechFest is a product of that analysis."

The high school is serious enough about the event to shorten classes. Starting April 27 afternoons will be used for the final round of student performances, he said.

During the week of SpeechFest 2004, classes will end at 11:50 a.m., followed by the normal lunch break, 11:50 a.m.-12:25 a.m., he said. The afternoons will be set aside for the student presentations.

"Each student chose two of the 17 different forms of public address to perform some of which are story telling, modern oratory, teaching a skill, monologue, demonstration, chalk talk and science project presentation," he said. "It promises to be an entertaining event."

For more information on SpeechFest 2004, contact the High School or Mr. Brown at 2-4151.



USAFE Airman Information File

April 2004

MENTORING TO DEVELOP TOMORROW'S LEADERS

Rising above personal and professional accomplishments and disappointments is essential to the proper development of our future leaders. Sometimes we face situations and life-changing decisions that call for guidance above and beyond what is provided by an effective supervisor-subordinate relationship. When coping with uncertainty, failure, and even success, advice from a trusted mentor can pay huge dividends.

Front-line supervisors are in position to have the greatest impact on the development of our Airmen. However, not all supervisors are able to dedicate a laser-sharp focus on individual needs for the long-term growth and development of each and every Airman they supervise. Additionally, their background and experience may not fit the needs of every specialty under their span of control. Mentors, together with supervisors, are critical to developing our force.

Being a mentor is both challenging and rewarding. In order to be effective, mentoring relationships must be established face-to-face and based on open communication. Successful relationships evolve into partnerships that explore past experiences, current situations, and future opportunities. A long-term commitment to each other enables the mentor and mentee to develop a meaningful and lasting connection based on trust -- one that endures time and permanent change of stations. Being a mentor is a great investment; the pay off is a future leader armed with the benefit of your experiences, one who understands the value of wingman consideration, and one who will perpetuate the mentoring process.

Believe it or not, general officers and chiefs rely on mentors. We seek guidance and counsel from trusted advisers practically every day -- our success depends upon it. Unfortunately, some Airmen serve a majority of their career without experiencing the full benefits of good mentorship. Oftentimes it is not because they want to go it alone, but they simply have trouble finding somebody that understands their needs. Finding a mentor to meet specific needs is challenging and should not be left to an opportunity of chance.

Overcoming the challenges of mentorship is the thrust behind USAFE's newest force development initiative called Project Connect. This program provides a forum for senior officers to guide and enhance the individual professional development of junior officers on a one-on-one basis. It leverages technology to recruit mentors and mentees, to help match best "fits" based on needs, and to provide resources that help develop successful partnerships. Although the program's initial focus is on our junior officers, the next iteration will target NCOs and civilians.

Mentorship is more than lessons in leadership. It is about developing life skills to prepare our Airman to overcome personal and professional challenges. Find a mentor -- be a mentor -- help cultivate Project Connect and our future leaders!

General Doc Foglesong

CMSgt Gary Coleman

"Bring Your Courage"

Virtual library on-line

A new USAFE program allows award-winning access

Crossroads staff

U.S. Air Forces in Europe's latest online tool for delivery of information is a virtual library for library users that includes access to award-winning compendiums of information in general knowledge, aircraft and more.

The USAFE Virtual Library lets library patrons and other users access nine separate databases of information. They include:

— **Gale Resources:** The databases contain information on such topics as health and wellness, social issues, literary and popular biographies and chapters from reference books. In addition, there are pointers for writing research papers, evaluating sources and how to create charts and other visual aids.

— **Petersons:** Petersons is a very broad database covering all the Petersons guides and multiple practice tests from GED to GRE. It also includes extensive information on military careers.

— **Jane's:** Jane's can keep all interested persons, from the intelligence community to the casual reader, on top of cur-

rent military events.

— **Netlibrary:** A 24/7 virtual library with over 3000 titles: All books are full text and may be checked out for personal reading. The books range in subject matter and include area studies such as Korea or Japan; Cliff's notes on just about everything; the "Idiot's Guide to..." series, the "Chicken Soup for the Soul" series; test materials and study guides in every possible subject area including materials to support home schooling; items about, terrorism, biochemical warfare, international affairs and travel, and more

— **First Search:** This comprehensive search engine provides instant online access to over 54 different databases in all fields with some providing full text. Some of the databases include ERIC, MEDLINE, Book Reviews, and Consumer Index. They also include articles, books, reports, and government publications.

— **Auto Repair Reference Center (EBSCO):** This online reference tool has full text searchable manuals for repair procedures and service bulletins for almost all makes, models and years of cars

(American specs only).

— **Country Watch:** Country Watch is a world leader in providing country specific geopolitical intelligence on each of the 192 countries of the world. It can provide current event items, population figures, other statistics, even the current time.

— **Newsbank:** A comprehensive, news resource consisting of regional, national and international sources. This database supplies over 50,000 articles annually culled from the best newspapers and other news sources. It often includes local and regional newspapers not found in other databases.

— **Stratfor:** Global intelligence and forecasting as well as news and analysis on geopolitical, security, economic affairs and travel security are integrated into this database. It also includes the latest information on "hot spots" and international events.

— **Tumble Books:** E-Books, games and puzzles for children available through the USAFE Virtual Library. From <http://www.usafelibraries.org> choose "Kids" from the menu bar.

Focus Notes

Children's movie night

"Children and Youth of the Chapel" movie night is 7 p.m., today, at the base chapel. For more, call Chaplain (Capt.) Matthew Franke at 2-4211.

First Communion

The first Communion workshop is at 11 a.m., Saturday, at the base chapel. For more, call Chaplain (Maj.) Stan Pieczara at 2-4211.

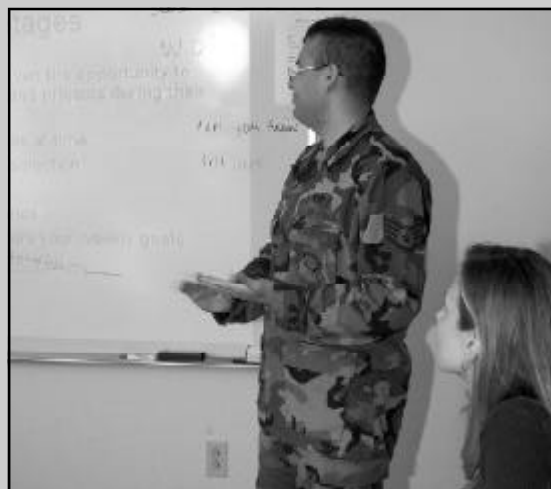
Singles movie night

"Singles of the Chapel" movie night is 7 p.m., Saturday, at the base chapel. For more, call Chaplain (Capt.) Matthew Franke at 2-4211.

Men's Retreat

A Protestant Men of the Chapel Retreat is planned for April 30 - May 2, at Pacal de Santa Catarina in Angra. For more, call Chaplain (Capt.) Matthew Franke at 2-4211.

Lunch and Learn



Staff Sgt. Angel Alvarado, 65th Communication Squadron, teaches a class about distance education classes during the "Lunch and Learn" seminar Monday at the education center. For more, call Tech. Sgt. Matthew Kaczor at 2-1319. (Photo by Guido Melo)

Helping with the change

Workshops help ease transition for military children

by **Elsa Summers**
Community Readiness Consultant
Family Support Center

Ask military parents what their biggest concern is for their school-aged child and chances are you'll hear about moving their children from school to school.

At Lajes — where frequent moves are more common than at most assignments — those concerns are amplified.

This summer about 40 percent of the base population will move. Many of these moves will affect children.

Military children will once again be starting new schools in new towns.

Where do parents go to get the tools they need to be advocates for their children's education and how do they research and plan for an upcoming school transition? For parents at Lajes, the tools are coming to them.

The Family Support Center has contracted with The Military Child Education Coalition. The coalition is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to empower military-connected parents to be effective

advocates for their children. The coalition will present two workshops at Lajes.

— "School Transitions: The Essential Elements," is a three-hour workshop. It helps parents "make the right choices for their children based on what works; research and useful planning ideas before, during, and after a change of schools," according to the coalition.

"The Military Child Education Coalition is a wonderful organization dedicated to our children. Since 1998, it has focused on academic and school-related needs of military children including transitions and other educational challenges. This is the first time that we have been able to bring these workshops to our families here," said Patricia Botkins, Family Support Center flight chief.

The workshops are 6-9 p.m. April 28 at Lajes High School. Another workshop is 4-7 p.m., April 29 at Lajes Elementary School. Parents could attend either workshop. Some of the topics discussed will be:

- Learning K-12 school transitions -- lessons learned from research
- Transitioning for everyone -- pointers

and common pitfalls

- Understanding schools -- the culture: school and military
- Getting off on the right foot -- the new school
- Working through challenges
- Testing and assessments -- information about schools, programs and students
- Fitting in- social and emotional support
- Preparing for a move -- special needs and special programs
- Looking ahead and preparing for college.

"The workshops are geared for the parents of children of all ages, even if your child is too young to go to school now, but will be a military school-aged child in a few years. By investing time in a child's education early on, parents can increase their child's chances for success in the future," Botkins said.

For more information on the coalition, parents can log on to their web site at <http://www.militarychild.org>.

For more information on the coalition's parent workshops at Lajes, call 2-4138.

Self-help store opens



Col. Barbara Jacobi, 65th Air Base Wing commander, and Henrique Sousa, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron, cut the ribbon and officially open the self-help store during the ceremony Tuesday. The new store is located across from the vet clinic. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Michelle Michaud)

Enlisted dining out history

by **Master Sgt. Karl Schneider**
Enlisted dining out committee member

The Enlisted Dining Out is May 15 at the Top of the Rock club. The theme is "Freedom is Never Free."

The enlisted corps has consistently displayed courage while giving of themselves to protect our freedom.

One of the fine, yet virtually unknown, examples is Sgt. 1st Class Fred Graveline.

He was one of the few enlisted men who flew combat missions during World War I, and one of only two Army Air Service enlisted men to earn the Distinguished Service Cross.

The only decorations awarded during WWI were the Medal of Honor, the Distinguished Service Cross and the Distinguished Service Medals.

Sergeant Graveline was assigned to the 20th Aero Squadron in France in 1918. He was an observer/gunner flying in the back seat of a DH-4, two seat aircraft.

Policy at the time was for all aircrew members to be officers, however heavy casualties and the lack of replacements necessitated the use of enlisted observers.

Sergeant Graveline flew 17 missions, far more than any enlisted observer in any unit.

These were all volunteer sorties; apparently Sergeant Graveline was a man of singular courage and dedication.

His citation reads "Volunteering to act as observer and aerial gunner because of the shortage of officer observers, he started on 17 bombing missions, successfully reaching his objective on 14 of these expeditions, shooting down two enemy aircraft. On two occasions while flying at the rear of his formation, he drove off superior numbers of German machines."

An upcoming radio quiz will feature questions derived from "The Enlisted Dining Out Corner."

SPECIAL REPORT

Extension allows seniors to graduate here

by 1st Lt. Aaron Wiley
65th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

Parents of soon-to-be high school seniors may find it easier to extend at Lajes thanks to a new policy announced in March.

The High School Seniors Assignment Deferment Program allows senior master sergeants and below, and officers through the rank of lieutenant colonel, to apply for a one-year assignment deferment. Back-to-back deferments may be possible, and dual-military couples may also apply.

"In today's environment of deployments and high operations tempo, it's important that we alleviate stress on families wherever we can," said Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Gerald R. Murray. "This initiative is designed to do that."

Tech. Sgt. Mario De Souza, 65th Operations Support Squadron, and his wife, Lisa, jumped at a second chance to extend. The family signed up for the program in hopes that their daughter, Stephanie Stamper, can avoid relocating a third time in her four years of high school.

"We don't know if our extension will go through yet," Mrs. De Souza said, whose family's first request to extend was denied, "but hopefully the new program will help us stay at Lajes. We were extending for Stephanie."

Stephanie is the oldest of the De Souza's two high-school age daughters. She is worried that transferring to a high school where she has no history might hurt her chances of getting accepted to the college of her choice, the U.S. Air Force Academy. She wants to pursue her dream of becoming an Air Force pilot, and earn a degree in mathematics.

"My desire to stay is based on the academic benefits," Stephanie said. "I have a really good relationship with the Lajes faculty; the teachers are so involved, and the teacher who first welcomed me to Lajes, Thomas Birch, is already writing me a letter of recommendation."

According to Ms. Stamper, Lajes High School has a student body of roughly 150 from 7th to 12th grade. This is a stark contrast to her prior stateside high school of 600 students where she feels she'll get lost in the crowd if she returns to a school of similar size just before graduation.

Lajes offers students opportunities they may not have had in the states. Ms. Stamper, was the class president and national honor society vice-president. She played various varsity sports where she currently serves as the captain of the softball team, and wrote for the school paper. She also participated in various volunteer opportunities. She doesn't think she'd have accomplished as much at a stateside base, she said.

The Lajes community is pulling for her too, according to Mrs. De Souza. Once the announcement of the program came out, she received 20 e-mails from family friends and co-workers to make sure they'd heard. She said Tech. Sgt. Eric Morgan, 65th Mission Support Squadron, has been a huge help, working hard to keep their hope alive.

"I am going to ask Sergeant Morgan, if we get approved, to tell Stephi himself," Mrs. De Souza said. "I think it would give him great pleasure to see Stephi's expression and to show him his hard work is greatly appreciated."

Until then the De Souza's are in limbo, waiting to find out where they'll be next year.

"We don't know where we're going as of

yet. My family and I understand the concept that 'the Air Force's needs come first', so we realize that we could very well wind up any where there's a need for my specialty," Sergeant De Souza said. "As for Lisa and I, we love the fact that we've been given an opportunity to extend and continue working with the wonderful people here at Lajes."

The policy makes official what was already being done informally whenever possible in the past, said Col. Kathleen Grabowski, chief of assignment programs and procedures at the Air Force Personnel Center. In some cases assignments teams were already successfully working with Airmen to allow families stability when children were preparing to graduate, she said.

Even with the changes, officials said the mission comes first and will be the overriding factor in granting deferments.

"Requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis," Colonel Grabowski said. "The goal is to approve as many requests as mission needs allow without being unfair, but the reality is some requests won't be possible due to Air Force needs. We'll work with people as we always have."

To be eligible, the senior in high school must be a dependent of and living with the Airman requesting the deferment, and he or she must be enrolled in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility System, she said.

Applications are available from military personnel flights and commander support staffs.

The Air Force Contact Center offers information about this and other personnel programs by calling toll free (800) 616-3775 or online at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil>. (Courtesy of AFPC News Service)

Exposition



GSA cardholders attend the product exposition at the Community Activity Center April 13 to view products offered by local businesses that might meet the requirements for local purchases. (Photo by Ted McGinley)

At Their Best

NCO Academy

The following technical sergeants graduated from the Kisling NCO Academy in Vogelweh, Germany, March 31.

Ina Strickner, 65th Mission Support Squadron; **Jana Mundell**, 65th Medical Operations Squadron; **Michele McCullough-Cruz**, 65th Logistics Readiness Squadron; **Jeffrey Marsh**, 65th Communications Squadron

Force test



Airman 1st Class Keith Elliot (driving forklift) moves a concrete barrier into place during an exercise here Wednesday. The 65th Air Base Wing Exercise Evaluation Team conducted the exercise to test how Team Lajes would react to and implement force protection conditions during specific situations. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Jason Tudor)

Warrior time

Crossroads staff

Warrior Day is April 30.

The event will take place at the Top of the Rock club starting at 8 a.m. Organizers said the event would take place "rain or shine." The day, said organizers, is "dedicated to promote camaraderie and warrior spirit."

Colonel Barbara Jacobi, 65th Air Base Wing commander, said Warrior Day is designated a "minimum manning" day.

Choice of duty locations is the standard workplace or the Top of the Rock club for the Warrior Day events, Colonel Jacobi said.

The day is broken into two parts. The first part is the warrior challenge, which lets unit-based teams compete against each other in six events. Competitors will be judged in physical exercises, memory skills and other areas.

The afternoon event is a Combat Cheer "block party" starting at 12:30 p.m. at the Top of the Rock club. The party will include a barbecue with food, drinks and more. The day will wrap up with an awards presentation and music played by the Touch-N-Go USAFE band.

SECAF outlines top priorities, future AF goals

by Staff Sgt. Elaine Aviles
Air Force Print News

INCIRLIK AIR BASE, Turkey — The Air Force's top civilian focused on Air Force priorities, the war on terrorism and future goals during a visit here April 14.

"People, of course, are the No. 1 priority," said Dr. James G. Roche, secretary of the Air Force. "Any organization is only as effective as the people in it. We do a lot of things for our Airmen, not because we're philanthropic, but because we believe (we) have a dynamic Air Force, we have to invest in our Airmen."

The first step to ensuring this investment is well spent is to streamline the force.

"We're 16,000 Airmen in excess," Secretary Roche said. "After we lifted Stop-Loss, we had a lot of Airmen who didn't want to leave. We have to re-evaluate our normal annual loss and gain, as well as our bonuses and re-enlistment decisions. That's smart business. Airmen are a very valuable resource, and one that costs money."

Secretary Roche said leaders plan on taking the force and reorienting it to a future in air and space.

"To keep the Air Force effective and efficient, we have to look at what the nation will be asking of us 10, 20 [or] 30 years from now, or next week," he said. "We have to look at our core competencies and what we expect the nation will ask, and stay focused."

This vision includes taking practical measures now and in the near future, Secretary Roche said. It also includes boosting the role of special operations, developing the potential of warfighting in space and working more closely with ground forces, such as the Soldiers and Marines in Iraq.

This partnership with ground forces is evident here, as base workers help thousands of Soldiers and Airmen supporting operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom transit to and from the battlefield.

"When General [John P.] Jumper, [Air Force chief of staff,] returned from a visit to Incirlik, he told me how excited I'd be when I got here," Secretary Roche said. "He was exactly right. This effort continues to show our interest and commitment to our counterparts from other military branches."

"We have colleagues on the

ground, and if there's anything we can do to make their lives a little more pleasant, then that's what we should do," he said.

The secretary emphasized the importance of staying focused during the ongoing battles in Iraq, which raised in intensity lately in places like Fallujah.

"It's going to be a long, drawn-out ordeal," he said. "It's not going to be won next week or the week after. We have to keep working at it and getting better at it. We must make sure the terrorists can't put together the critical mass."

As evidenced by the recent bombings in Madrid, Spain, and Istanbul, Turkey, a small group of people can cause a devastating amount of death and political consequence, Secretary Roche said.

"This is a matter of vigilance over a long period of time," he said. "We can't allow terrorists safe haven to plot against us and our allies. I know the Turks feel as we do; this type of behavior has no place in modern society. Let's stamp this thing out."

Secretary Roche said he is also intent on also stamping out a more subtle enemy — sexual assault and harassment.

"We learned a lot from the Air Force Academy," he said. "We were holding the Air Force up as a model, but we found, during a sampling, that there is room for improvement. That led us to look at every command and every base."

For example, the Air Force needs to change how it deals with the alleged victim, the secretary said.

"There are systems in place to help the victim during the investigation, but if there's no crime to prosecute, then we stop," he said. "But, the victim still has needs, as does the accused. Our whole point is to treat each Airman with dignity; however, if someone does something wrong, there will be consequences."

As the Air Force continues to evolve and grow, Secretary Roche said Incirlik's role is an important one.

"What you do is very important," he said. "If you don't believe it, come down here next time some Soldiers come through. What you do is meaningful, both here and to people back home." (Courtesy of U.S. Air Forces in Europe News Service)

Lajes celebrates Earth Week



(Above) About 70 hats were turned in for the recycled hat contest at the Family Support Center. (Photo by Guido Melo)

(Right) Kirsten and Rebecca sign up for the Volksmarch with their parents Lisa and Staff Sgt. Mark Campbell at the Family Support Center, Sunday. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Michelle Michaud)



(Above) Capt. Laurie Flagg, 65th Medical Operation Squadron, teaches a class about organic food at the Family Support Center Tuesday. (Photo by Guido Melo)



(Left) Yvonne Tucker, from the Sewage treatment plant, explains to 6th grade-students from Lajes Elementary School how the facility processes the raw sewage into clean water Monday. (Photo by Ted McGinley)



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Lamb Chop visits AF base

Kadena receives a special visitor during the Month of the Military Child

by Staff Sgt. Jason Lake
18th Wing Public Affairs

KADENA AIR BASE, Japan — Children at Kadena Elementary School and Bob Hope Primary School got a special visit from a hand-size celebrity April 14.

The famous sock puppet, Lamb Chop, gave a special performance for the students courtesy of the United Service Organizations' celebrity-education program.

Mallory Lewis, daughter of Shari Lewis who first brought Lamb Chop to life nearly 50 years ago, said this was her first time visiting a military base overseas.

To mark the occasion, Lamb Chop performed for the students wearing a custom-fit military uniform complete with a black security forces beret. Ms. Lewis also performed with a new member of the family — a 5-year-old orangutan sock puppet named Zoey.

When USO officials asked the trio to visit Okinawa to support the Month of the Military Child, Ms. Lewis said she was more than happy to make the 10-hour flight overseas.

"It is such an honor for me to get the opportunity to visit a military base overseas," she said. "Not too many civilians get this kind of opportunity to come onto a base and get this kind of experience."

Ms. Lewis said she brought Lamb Chop here to share a special message for children of military servicemembers.

"I hope that the kids here on base realize that people back home in the (United States) are very grateful for their (mom's) and dad's service to our country," she said.

The trio also took time to sign autographs for fans young and old April 15.

Crystal Stanton, wife of Navy Cmdr. Randy Stanton who is assigned to nearby Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, got an autograph



KADENA AIR BASE, Japan — Mallory Lewis and Lamb Chop perform at Bob Hope Primary School here April 14. Lamb Chop sported a military uniform and security forces beret to show support to servicemembers. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. C.E. Lewis)

with her 8-year-old daughter, Caroline.

"I used to watch the show when her mother, Shari, performed," Mrs. Stanton said. "I can still remember the 'Song that Never Ends.'"

In 1998, Shari Lewis died of uterine cancer. Despite the loss of her mother, Ms. Lewis decided to continue the legacy of Lamb Chop. She said she wanted her son to have the same childhood memories she did growing up with the sock puppet.

Mrs. Stanton said she is also glad Ms. Lewis continued on the legacy because now her daughter shares memories of the friendly little puppet as well.

"It's fantastic that she's keeping the puppets alive because it brings back a lot of good memories," she said. (Air Force Print News)



Everyday Hero

Tech. Sgt. Joseph Moody

65th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Duty Title: NCO in charge of special purpose and general purpose maintenance

Job description: I ensure the safety and serviceability of the special purpose and general purpose vehicle fleet

Time in the Air Force: 14 years

Time at Lajes: 10 months

What's the best aspect of your job: The variety of vehicles and tasks. It never gets boring.

Spouse/children: Wife, Ann, and son, Brandon, 6

Why did you joined the Air Force: It's something I had wanted to do ever since I was a young kid (now I'm an old one)

What are your career goals: To further my knowledge, broaden my experience, and keep enjoying what I am doing.

Life goal: It is to finish my education and to be satisfied with what I've done.

Best Air Force Experience: Augmenting the AMC/IG team. It was great conducting inspections and seeing how other bases do vehicle maintenance.

Hometown: Moreno Valley, Calif.

One word to describe you: Positive

Hobbies: Spending time with family, bowling, darts and computers

Favorite food: Italian food, and lots of it!

Pet peeve: Bad attitudes and military hats on in buildings



Movies showing at the base theater.

Today: 7 p.m., "Twisted," rated R for violence, language and sexuality. Cast includes Ashley Judd and Samuel L. Jackson. Synopsis: Police detective, Jessica Shepard, tracks a serial killer who murders the men she dates. When Jessica begins blacking out before each murder takes place, her partner, Mike Delmarco, and the police commissioner target her as the prime suspect. 97 minutes. **10 p.m., "Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen,"** rated PG for mild thematic elements, brief language. Cast includes Lindsay Lohan and Adam Garcia. Synopsis: New York City teenager, Lola, rules her school. She's the most popular kid around and assumes that will always be the

case. But when her family moves to the suburbs, she finds that at her new school, Carla is the "drama queen" in residence. 90 minutes.

Saturday: 7 p.m., "Euro Trip," rated R for sexuality, nudity, language, drug and alcohol content. Cast includes Scott Mechlowicz and Michelle Trachtenberg. Synopsis: Scott thinks his German pen pal is a guy. But when he discovers that Mieke is actually a hot babe, Scott and his buddy Cooper buy plane tickets and head across the Atlantic to visit. 92 minutes

Sunday: 2 p.m., "Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen," rated PG. **7 p.m., "Twisted,"** rated R.

Tuesday: 7 p.m., "Euro Trip," rated R.

Wednesday: 7 p.m., "Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen," rated PG.

Thursday: 7 p.m., "Twisted," rated R.

Faial is the most visited Azorean island

Shaped like an irregular pentagon, with an area of 67 square miles, the Island of Faial is one of the most charming islands of the Azores and most visited by tourists, especially yachtsmen.

With a population of approximately 15,000 people, Faial is a watercolor painting featuring beautiful landscape and characteristic villages.

The island was discovered during the first half of the 15th century, although it appeared on early maps and charts with the name "Insule of Venture."

It was settled around 1460. A few years later a group of Flemish, led by nobleman named Josse Van Huerter, settled on island. Its main town, the City of Horta, is probably the Portuguese translation of this Flemish settler's name.

Even though the number of Portuguese settlers was greater, the Flemish community numbered about 1,500 by 1490.

The Spanish also occupied the island in 1583, despite strong resistance by the island defenders who were reinforced by French troops.

Faial also took an active part in the internal struggles between the liberals and absolutists movements in the 19th century.

Until about 1860, Faial's position in the Atlantic and the existence of its sheltered port attracted cargo boats (engaged in the orange trade) and American whalers, which stopped there for supplies.

The city of Horta was an important center for underwater cable links between North America and Europe during the first half of the 20th century.

The city also took part in the pioneer period of aviation, serving as one stop for the first transatlantic flight in 1919, as well as a landing site for Pan American dirigibles from 1939 to 1945. A naval base during both world wars, Horta was also one of the ports used by

the Allied fleet at the time of invasion of Normandy in 1944.

Today, Faial is a developing island with an economy based on agriculture, the dairy industry, fishing, trade and tourism. The construction of a marina inside the port of Horta, with capacity for more than 120 yachts, has contributed to the island's development as well.

The City of Horta, one of the centers of the Regional Government's administration and the seat of the Azorean Parliament, is also the head of the district, which includes all of the island's 13 parishes.

The city, considered the yachtsman's paradise, celebrates its anniversary every year on July 4 with a fire works display.

Faial has a beautiful landscape. Caldeira, the volcanic cone that dominates the island, features a wide, deep crater and a small pond surrounded by blue hydrangeas and luxuriant vegetation.

Cabeço Gordo, the island's highest point with an altitude of approximately 3,280 feet, offers a magnificent view of Faial, Pico, São Jorge and sometimes Graciosa.

One of the most prominent tourist attractions on the islands is Ponta dos Capelinhos, the site of a volcanic eruption, which occurred in 1957 and completely destroyed the nearby village leaving hundreds homeless. The lighthouse of Capelinhos still stands amidst the volcanic ash that covers what used to be fields and homes.

In addition to the sites I just mentioned, there are other villages around the island that rate a visit.

They are Praia do Almoxarife, Pedro Miguel, Salão, Cedros, Praia do Norte, Capelo; Varadouro, Castelo Branco and Feteira. Sadly, some of these villages, especially on the northeast side of the island, were partially destroyed by an earthquake July 9, 1998, and are still undergoing recovery efforts.

The largest tourist event of Faial is undoubtedly the "Sea Week Festival," which is held in Horta during the first week of August.

The festival originated with the Portsmouth, England - Horta regatta in 1975. It features sailing, fishing and swimming competitions, as well as concerts by bands of



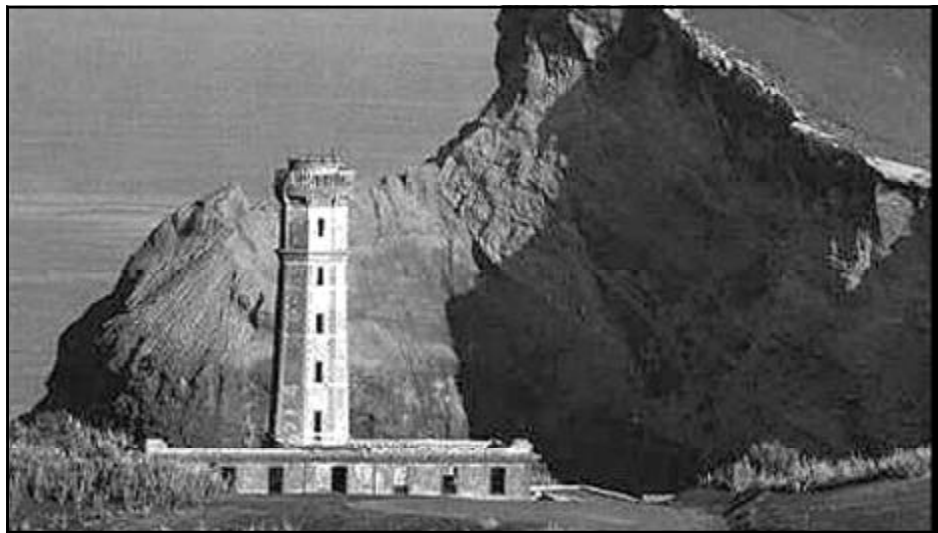
different musical styles.

Just like the other islands, Faial is also served by daily flights originating from from Terceira and São Miguel.

Round trip airfare between Terceira and Faial costs approximately 180 euros.

Large seagoing ferry boats connect this island with the other islands of the central group almost on a daily basis between May and September.

There are also small ferryboats that travel daily between the Port of Horta and the port of Madalena on the Island of Pico several times a day.



This lighthouse is the only thing left after a volcanic eruption in 1957 completely destroyed the nearby village, Ponta dos Capelinhos, leaving hundreds homeless. (Courtesy photo)

Sports briefs

Youth baseball

Registrations for the youth baseball program are at the Lajes youth center. The season runs from April-June. Ages 5-18 may participate. Coaches and officials are needed for this program. A free baseball camp for 4 year-olds will be offered with enough interest. For more, call Jolene Wilkinson at 2-1197.

Taekwondo

Classes are 6:15-7:30 p.m., Tuesdays for 5-12 year olds, 6:15-7:30 p.m., Thursdays for 13 and up, and 10 a.m., Saturday, at the fitness center. For more, call Airman 1st Class Joshua Clark at 2-6126.

Karate

The Lajes youth program is accepting registration for instructional karate class. Ages 5-18 are eligible to participate in this year-round instructional program. Classes will be Monday nights and Saturday afternoons. For more, call Jolene Wilkinson at 2-1197.

Yoga

Classes are at 9 a.m., Saturdays, at the fitness center. For more, call Airman 1st Class Joshua Clark at 2-6126.

Fitness Monopoly

Everyone's welcome to play at the fitness center when working out, by rolling the dice once a day and doing whatever the property landed on asks. For more, call 2-6390.

Teen cardio

Workouts are 3:30-4:30pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays, at the Chase Fitness Center. Teens, ages 13-15, may use the cardio equipment with staff supervision and a letter of consent from their parents. For more, call Airman 1st Class Joshua Clark at 2-6126.

Intramural Bowling

Top 10

	Team	W	L	TP	Gm	Ser
1.	Starting Now	50	22	26,619	1,094	3,160
2.	LRS 2	44	28	26,077	1,042	3,074
3.	MDOS/MDSS 3	44	28	25,749	1,026	2,942
4.	JAMS 7	44	20	23,013	1,056	3,020
5.	CONS 2	43	29	26,310	1,070	3,091
6.	JAMS Session	43	21	23,470	1,091	3,095
7.	Those Guys	42	22	23,452	1,089	3,125
8.	CONS 1	40	24	23,720	1,103	3,084
9.	The Dogs	40	24	23,448	1,070	3,004
10.	Other CE Team	40	24	23,195	1,102	3,081

Scratch Game, Team

JAMS Session	891
Other CE Team	852
CES 1	802

Scratch Game, Men

Norma Darling	234
Manuel Mendonca	230
Richard King	218

Scratch Game, Women

Diane Katz	185
Kimberly Hellmer	178
Celeste Bland	175

Scratch Series, Team

Comm 1	2,534
The Dogs	2,487
Maulerz	2,338

Scratch Series, Men

Todd Katz	609
David Baca	591
Jason Beecroft	588

Scratch Series, Women

Deb Cooper	537
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Jocelyn Warner	454
Tiffany Brotherton	449

High Average, Men

Terry Mateka	19.75
Thomas Price	19.71
Todd Katz	19.7

High Average, Women

Deb Cooper	157
Pamela Darling	138
Celeste Bland	138

Most Improved, Men

Dan Knipfer	11.43
Michael Cyr	6
Joseph Pruesser	5.75

Most Improved, Women

Jessica Miller	6
Kristen Nelson	5.05
Kathryn Harshberger	3.22

Hcp Game, Team

Outkast	1,110
Other CE Team	1,102
Those Guys	1,075

Hcp Game, Men	
Jason Beecroft	296
Brian Straka	274
Jason Fenstermacher	269

Hcp Game, Women

Deniz Equivel	263
Annette Legaux	258
Maggie Catoe	256

Hcp Series, Team

Other Comm Guys	3,196
Starting Now	3,160
Those Guys 2	3,125

Hcp Series, Men

Thomas Price	707
William Lechner	699
Tim Shackelford	697

Hcp Series, Women

Pamela Darling	717
Dawn Schenck	692
Anita Sommers	686

(Current as of Wednesday. For updated statistics, visit bowl.com, click on 'standing sheets' and search for league No. 6075)

AFN Sports on TV

Friday

AFN Sports
5 p.m. — SportsCenter
6 p.m. — NY Mets @ Chicago Cubs
10 p.m. — SportsCenter
11 p.m. — NBA Playoffs, Pacers vs. Celtics

Saturday

AFN Atlantic
4 p.m. — NBA Playoffs, Lakers vs. Rockets
6 p.m. — ESPNNews
7 p.m. — NHL Playoffs, Avalanche vs. Sharks
10 p.m. — ESPNNews

AFN Pacific
1:30 a.m. — NHL 2Night
4 p.m. — SportsCenter
5 p.m. — NBA Playoffs, Heat vs. Hornets
11 p.m. — Baseball, Reds vs. Pirates

AFN Sports
1:30 a.m. — NBA Playoffs, Lakers vs. Rockets
4 a.m. — SportsCenter
5 a.m. — Around the Horn
5:30 a.m. — Pardon the Interruption
6 a.m. — SportsCenter
7 a.m. — Boxing: Middleweights, Dorian Beauapiere vs. Daniel Eduoard
9 a.m. — SportsCenter
10 a.m. — Baseball (tape delayed), Giants vs. Dodgers
1 p.m. — SportsCenter
2 p.m. — Baseball Tonight
3 p.m. — SportsCenter
4 p.m. — NFL Draft Day 1
8 p.m. — Baseball, Angels vs. Athletics
11 p.m. — NBA Playoffs, Kings vs. Mavericks

Sunday

AFN Atlantic
11 a.m. (tape delayed) — NHL Playoffs, Flames vs. Red Wings
4 p.m. — SportsCenter
5 p.m. — Auto Racing, NASCAR Nextel Series, Aaron's 499
9:30 p.m. — ESPNNews

AFN Pacific
4 p.m. — ESPNNews
4:30 p.m. — Baseball Tonight
5 p.m. — NBA Playoffs, Pacers vs. Celtics
7:30 p.m. — NBA Playoffs, Lakers vs. Rockets
11 p.m. — NBA Playoffs, Nets vs. Knicks

AFN Sports
1:30 a.m. — NBA Playoffs, Timberwolves vs. Nuggets
4 a.m. — Major League Soccer, Fore vs. United
6 a.m. — SportsCenter
7 p.m. — Auto racing, NASCAR Busch Series at Talladega
10 a.m. — SportsCenter
11 a.m. — NBA Fastbreak
11:30 a.m. — Horse Racing
12:30 p.m. — NBA Matchup
1 p.m. — SportsCenter
2 p.m. — Sports Reporters
2:30 p.m. — SportsCenter
3 p.m. — NFL Draft Day 2
5 p.m. — Baseball, Red Sox vs. Yankees
8 p.m. — NFL Draft Day 2
11 p.m. — Baseball Tonight

PLANNER

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Friday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Bowling Alley: 10 a.m.-12:30 a.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-1 a.m.

Chapel: Meditation and Prayer, 6:30 a.m.; Mass, 7 a.m.; Adoration and Rosary, 3 p.m.; CWOC Mass (1st Friday of the month) 5:30 p.m.; Gospel Choir Practice, 7 p.m.

Child Development Center: 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Community Activities Center: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Dining Hall: Breakfast: 6-8:30 a.m., Lunch: 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., simmered corn beef, pineapple chicken, Yankee pot roast; Dinner: 4-7 p.m., Seaford Newburg, beef and corn pie, and roast turkey; Midnight meal: 11 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

Dry Cleaners: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Fitness Center: Open 5 a.m.-midnight.

Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Library: Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: Lasagna, fries or salad and drink; Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

School Lunch: Sliced turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy, dinner roll, seasoned green beans, chilled fruit mixed, milk.

Skating Rink/Skate Park: Alternating weekends. Open 7-11 p.m.

Skills Development Center: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Teen Center: Teen social, 9 p.m.-midnight.

Top of the Rock Club: Lunch 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., seafood buffet. Dinner 5-9 p.m., Prime and Wine.

Saturday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Bowling Alley: 10 a.m.-12:30 a.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-1 a.m.

Chapel: Mass, 10 a.m.; Gospel Children's Choir Practice, 2 p.m.

Child Development Center: Closed
Community Activities Center: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Dining Hall: Brunch: 7 a.m.-1 p.m. baked fish, Hungarian Goulash, BBQ chicken; Supper: 4-7 p.m., savory baked chicken, Swedish meatballs, and Creole shrimp. Midnight meal: 11 p.m.-1 a.m.

Dry Cleaners: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Fitness Center: Open 8 a.m.-7 p.m.
Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Library: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Oceanview Island Grill: Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Skating Rink/Skate Park: Alternating weekends. Open 7-11 p.m.

Skills Development Center: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Teen Center: Teen social 8 p.m.-midnight.

Top of the Rock Club: Brunch 8:30 a.m.-noon. Huff and Fin dinner special 5-9 p.m.

Sunday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Closed
Bowling Alley: 4-11 p.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

Chapel: Traditional Protestant service, 9 a.m.; Catholic religious education, 9 a.m.; Confessions, 9:45 a.m.; Fellowship, 10 a.m.; Mass, 10:30 a.m.; Religious Education, 10:30 a.m.; Gospel service & Fellowship, noon; Catholic choir rehearsal, 4 p.m.; Mass, 5 p.m.; Rosary and Adoration, 5:40 p.m.; PYOC/PTOC, 6:15 p.m.

Child Development Center: Closed
Community Activities Center: Closed

Commissary: Closed

Dining Hall: Brunch: 7 a.m.-1 p.m., stir fry beef w/broccoli, turkey nuggets, steak loin strip; Supper: 4-7 p.m., oven-fried fish, Cantonese spareribs, Grilled Mustardy chicken; Short Order: cheese pizza and Reuben sandwich.

Dry Cleaners: Closed
Fitness Center: Open 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Gas Station: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Gas only)

Library: Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Skating Rink: Closed
Skills Development Center: Closed

Top of the Rock Club: Closed

Monday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Closed
Bowling Alley: Closed
Burger King: 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

Chapel: Meditation and Prayer, 6:30 a.m.; Mass, 11:30 a.m.; Adoration and Rosary, 3 p.m.; Women's Bible study, 7 p.m.

Child Development Center: Open 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Community Activities Center: Closed

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Dining Hall: Breakfast: 6-8:30 a.m., Lunch: 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., beef canelloni, Chili Mac, and Southern-fried chicken; Dinner: 4-7 p.m., pot roast, baked stuffed fish, roast pork loin.

Midnight meal: 11 p.m.-1:30 a.m.
Dry Cleaners: Open 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Fitness Center: Open 5 a.m.-midnight

Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Gas only)

Library: Open 4-9 p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: Roasted Chicken or Meatball sandwich, fries or salad and drink; Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Closed

School Lunch: Cheese pizza, peppers, carrot and celery sticks, seasoned corn, and sweetened applesauce, Rice Krispie bar, milk.

Skills Development Center: Closed
Top of the Rock Club: Lunch, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Southern buffet.

Tuesday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Bowling Alley: 4-11 p.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

Chapel: Meditation and Prayer, 6:30 a.m.; Mass, 7 a.m.; Lunch Brown Bag Series, noon; Adoration and Rosary, 3 p.m.; AWANA (3 yrs to 6 grade) 6 p.m.; Catholic Women of the Chapel (3rd Tuesday of the month), 7 p.m.

Child Development Center: Open 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Community Activities Center: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Dining Hall: Breakfast: 6-8:30 a.m., Lunch: 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Country Captain Chicken, meat loaf, Turkey a La King; Dinner 4-7 p.m., Teriyaki chicken, veal parmesan, and salmon cakes. Midnight meal: 11 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

Dry Cleaners: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Fitness Center: Open 5 a.m.-midnight

Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Library: Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: 16" pizza with 2 toppings and drinks; Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

School Lunch: Hamburger on a bun, lettuce, tomato and pickles, curly fries, sweetened applesauce, Rice Krispie bar, milk.

Skills Development Center: Open noon-8 p.m.

Top of the Rock Club: Lunch, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Mexican buffet. Dinner 5-9 p.m.

Wednesday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Bowling Alley: 9 a.m.-11 p.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

Chapel: Meditation and Prayer, 6:30 a.m.; Mass, 7 a.m.; PWOC bible study, 9 a.m.; PWOC lunch/study, noon; Adoration and Rosary, 3 p.m.; Catholic men of the chapel (2nd Wednesday of

the month), 6 p.m.; Traditional choir practice, 6 p.m.; Bell choir practice, 7 p.m.; Catholic choir rehearsal, 7:15 p.m.

Child Development Center: 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Community Activities Center: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Dining Hall: Breakfast: 6-8:30 a.m., Lunch: 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., lemon-herbed chicken, BBQ spareribs, and stuffed pork chops; Dinner: 4-7 p.m., BBQ ham steak, turkey and noodles, and beef ball Stroganoff. Midnight meal: 11 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

Dry Cleaners: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Fitness Center: Open 5 a.m.-midnight

Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Library: Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: Fried shrimp, fries or salad and drink; Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

School Lunch: Popeye's chicken, fries, crispy potato wedges, dinner roll, and tossed garden salad, ranch dressing, applesauce, milk.

Skills Development Center: Open noon-8 p.m.

Top of the Rock Club: Lunch, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Italian Buffet. Dinner 5-9 p.m. Family Buffet

Thursday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Bowling Alley: 9 a.m.-11 p.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

Chapel: Meditation and Prayer, 6:30 a.m.; Mass 7 a.m.; Adoration and Rosary, 3 p.m.; RCIA, 7 p.m.; Gospel Praise Team practice and Men's Bible study, 7 p.m.

Child Development Center: 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Community Activities Center: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Dining Hall: Breakfast: 6-8:30 a.m., Lunch: 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Beef Sukiyaki, Chinese Five Spice Chicken, and Beef Yakisoba; Dinner: 4-7 p.m., herbed-baked chicken, stuffed cabbage rolls, and Southern-fried catfish. Midnight meal: 11 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

Dry Cleaners: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Fitness Center: Open 5 a.m.-midnight

Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Library: Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: 16" Pizza w/ 1 topping or Taco salad and drink; Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

School Lunch: Ravioli with meatsauce, carrot and celery sticks, garlic toast, chilled peaches, cookie, milk.

Skills Development Center: Open noon-8 p.m.

Top of the Rock Club: Lunch, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Oriental buffet. Dinner 5-9 p.m., 2-4-1 Steak Night

EVENTS

The deadline for announcements on this page is 5 p.m., Monday for each week's paper. Submit announcements in normal text with the what, when, where, who, why and contact info in an email to news@lajes.af.mil. Dates and times should be in civilian format, and include full name of P.O.C.

Bullfights

Arena bullfight: The first of the season is at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, in the Angra bullring. Tickets cost 12 euros per person and can be purchased at the door two hours before the fight.

Closures/Shifts

Club closure: The Top of the Rock club is closed on Sundays, except for special events, until football season begins in September. For more information, call 2-3202.

Veterinary clinic: Effective May 1, the vet clinic will be open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. A night clinic from 2-8 p.m. every 2nd and 4th Wednesdays and a late afternoon clinic from noon-6 p.m. will be every 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. To screen your pets for parasites, bring a stool sample. For more, call Mrs. Nichole Cowell at 2-3134.

Holiday closure: The community activity center will be closed Sunday, in observance of a local national holiday. For more, call Marco Rocha at 2-4135.

Pharmacy: Patient wait times in April may increase due to a new automation process. As pharmacy personnel become more familiar with processes, wait times will recede. For more, call Capt. John Catoe at 2-3635.

Education/Classes

UMUC seminar: The University of Maryland offers a College Study for Adults (EDCP108G) seminar, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., May 1 and 15. For more, call Melinda Casey at 2-4187.

Veteran's benefits: A veteran's benefits video/tele-conference is at 1 p.m., today, at Bldg. 715. Seating is limited. To reserve a seat, call 2-4138.

Pet first aid: Course on pet first aid is 8 a.m.-noon, Saturday, at the family support center. Cost is \$15 per family, includes book. To sign up, call 2-3516 by today.

Babysitting class: Noon-4 p.m., Saturday, at the Red Cross office in Bldg. T-112. Cost is \$35, includes babysitting bag. Successful completion satisfies Lajes Field Instruction 34-2, for ages 12 and older. To sign up call 2-3416 by Thursday.

School Transitions: Parents are invited to the Military Child Education Coalitions, 'School Transitions: The Essential Ingredients' workshop from 6-9 p.m., Wednesday, at the Lajes High School, and from 4-7 p.m., Thurs-

day, at the Lajes Elementary School. For more, call Elsa Summers at 2-4138.

Organizations

Health care council: The next Health Care Council, a quarterly forum to discuss important health care issues is 1 p.m., May 7, in the base chapel upper classroom. Everyone is welcome. For more, call Capt. Robert Paz at 2-2264.

Events

Warrior Day: It begins at 8 a.m. April 30 for the warrior teams. Colonel Barbara Jacobi, 65th Air Base Wing commander, said Warrior Day is designated a "minimum manning" day for the Combat Cheer "block party" starting at 12:30 p.m. at the Top of the Rock club. The party will include a barbecue, an awards presentation and music played by the Touch-N-Go USAF band.

Virtual library: An information quest contest has begun and will continue until May 15 at the base library. Win prizes worth over \$5,500 by researching answers on e-resource databases. For more, call 2-3688.

Talent show: Elementary school talent show, 6-8:30 p.m., today, at the community activity center ballroom. First-3rd place prizes for Grades K-2, 3-4 and 5-6. For more, call Ronna Poston at 2-3491.

Weight loss group: The first meeting of the weight loss support group is 6 p.m. April 27 at the Community Activity Center. The meeting will provide diet plans, encouragement, motivation and buddy plans. For more information contact Debra Bergmark at 295-549-714 or email at Debra.Bergmark@lajes.af.mil

Spring jam: The Rising VI will throw a spring break party, 9 p.m.-2 a.m., May 1, at the Top of the Rock ballroom. \$10 includes food, beer, door prizes and music. For more, call Senior Airman Angelique Avendano at 2-5203.

Dining Out: Enlisted Dining Out, 6 p.m., May 16, at the Top of the Rock club. Menu includes: Tequila Chicken, Beef Tenderloin and Vegetarian Lasagna. Cost is \$17-16. Attire is semi-formal or Mess Dress. Tickets are available from unit representatives.

Volunteers/Jobs

UMUC instructors: The University of Maryland needs an instructor for speech and other courses, for the 04-05 academic years. A Masters degree is required and teaching experience is

preferred. For more, call Melinda Casey or Ana Furk at 2-4187.

Part-time position: Thrift shop coordinator needed. Must be an enlisted spouse or officer spouse club member. Applications available at the thrift shop, Bldg. T-400. For more, call 2-6371 or 2-3567.

Part-time contractor: Instructor needed to provide financial and computer classes at the family support center. For more, call John Cox 2-4138.

WICO position: Women Infants and Children Overseas needs someone with a degree in Nutrition, Dietetics, Nursing or Home Economics and experience in prenatal, maternal or infant nutrition. For more, call Nora Blohm at 2-1440 or 295-549-465.

Services positions: Recreation aids at the skating rink and youth center, a club operations assistant and an office automation clerk at the veterinary clinic are needed. Applications are available at the Non-appropriated Funds Human Resources Office, Bldg. T-112. For more, call 2-5200.

Family readiness: Volunteer assistant needed to help maintain a program dedicated to families of deployed troops. Requires a six-month minimum commitment. Free childcare is available. For more, call 2-4138.

Volunteers needed: Volunteers needed at family services for postal collection, data input, advertising, etc. Free childcare is available. For more, call 2-4146 or 2-4138.

Charities committee: "Chapel Charities", open 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturdays, in Bldg. T-426, needs donations for local orphanages and nursing homes. To volunteer for the committee and base chapel, call Tech. Sgt. Silvia DeJesus at 295-549-430 or 2-1304, or call 2-4211.

Skating rink: Volunteers needed to distribute skates, sell snack bar items, work the DJ booth, etc. For more, call Sheryl Bush at 2-5216 or 2-6143.

P.O. volunteers: The post office needs volunteers to assist with sorting mail, distributing packages and customer service. Visit the post office for more, or call 2-3625.

CAC attendants: Community activity center volunteers needed to work at the front counter, to assist customers and provide administrative support. Weekend and evening hours are available. For more, call Sheryl Bush at 2-5216.

Spouse appreciation

Open house: 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday, at the family support center. For all civilian spouses married to a Department of Defense military member. Includes a spouses'

enhancement briefing, the announcement of the Sensational Spouse Award for '03-'04, a "Simmering Spice of Spouse" sauce taste-testing contest, a spaghetti lunch and drawings for door prizes. To sign up, call 2-4138.

Supermarket sweep: A spouses' contest simulating the television game show "Supermarket Sweep" is at 9-10 a.m., Wednesday, at the commissary. Entry boxes will be at the family support center. Spouses must answer a Health and Wellness Center question to be selected for the sweep. For more, call 2-3889.

Heartlink: An orientation to enhance spouse knowledge about the military lifestyle is at 8:15 a.m.-2:15 p.m., Thursday, at the family support center. Heartlink is an interactive program which includes games and prizes. For more, call 2-4138.

Earth week

Flowers and shrubs: Free flowers and shrubs are available at both Pride stores until today. For more, call 2-3794.

School activities: The Lajes elementary school will have water briefings from 8:30-11 a.m., today, at the LES; clean school and community briefings from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., today, at the LES; and a clean-up walk from 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., today at the elementary school and the inactive flight line. For more, call 2-6216.

Hazardous drop-off: A household hazardous drop-off booth will be in front of the commissary starting at 10 a.m., today. For more, call 2-6557.

Clean-up dive: The Aqua Knights conduct a clean-up dive 10 a.m., Saturday, in the S. Mateus Port. Everyone's welcome to come out and support the divers. For more, call Erika Golart at 2-6823.

Classified Ads

Ads must be submitted via e-mail to news@lajes.af.mil. Ads are due by 5 p.m. Monday.

Looking for a good used computer desk for a good price. Please call 295-549-752.

PCS Sale: Zenith 19"20" TV, \$49. JVC portable CD player with all access, \$19. Christmas tree stands, \$15 each. Call Luis at 295-549-296 (leave msg).

Pure Breed Husky, one-years old in May, current on all shots, kennel trained and house trained. Free to good home. For more, call 295-549-749.

1992 GEO Metro, 2 door, available May 14, good condition, recently painted, new tires, brakes, clutch, etc. \$2,500 OBO. Call 295-543-460

Free cat to good home, Blue is an indoor outdoor cat who was born May 2001, is neutered, front paws are declawed, chipped and shots are up-to-date. Call 2-5215.

Nanny looking for a home to clean and children to watch. For more information and references, call Kim at 295-549-554 or Kelly at 295-549-749.